

Amendments to the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A powdercoating material comprising an additive,  
wherein the additive includes at least one polyolefin wax ~~The use of polyolefin waxes~~  
~~synthesized using a metallocene catalysts as an additive in powdercoating~~  
~~materials catalyst,~~ where the polyolefin wax has a dropping point of from 70 to  
165°C, a melt viscosity at 140°C of from 10 to 10 000 mPa s, a density of from 0.85  
to 0.98 g/cm<sup>3</sup> and a molecular weight distribution, expressed as  $M_w/M_n$ , of less than 5  
and wherein the polyolefin ~~waxes are present~~ wax is present in a blend with one or  
more auxiliaries and additives selected from the group consisting of

- a) polyethylene glycol
- b) PE waxes,
- c) PTFE waxes,
- d) PP waxes,
- e) amide waxes,
- f) FT paraffins,
- g) montan waxes,
- h) natural waxes,
- i) macrocrystalline and microcrystalline paraffins,
- j) polar polyolefin waxes,
- k) sorbitan esters
- l) polyamides,
- m) polyolefins,
- n) PTFE,
- o) wetting agents or
- p) silicates.

~~in a polyolefin wax: auxiliary and additive weight ratio such as 1:50 to 50:1~~  
~~expressed in % by weight~~

2. Currently Amended) ~~The use~~ powdercoating material as claimed in claim 1, wherein the polyolefin wax is derived from olefins having 3 to 6 carbon atoms or from styrene.
3. Currently Amended) ~~The use~~ powdercoating material as claimed in claim 1 ~~or~~ 2, wherein the polyolefin ~~waxes have been given a polar modification~~ wax is polar modified.
4. Currently Amended) ~~The use~~ powdercoating material as claimed in ~~one or more of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, wherein polyolefin wax and ~~where appropriate the admixed~~ the one or more auxiliaries and additives are in the form of an ultrafine powder having a particle size distribution  $d_{90} < 40 \mu\text{m}$ .
5. (Currently Amended) A process for preparing a powdercoating materials from binders, pigments and fillers and also customary auxiliaries, which comprises material comprising the step of adding an additive as set forth in one or more of claims 1 to 4 to the powdercoating material, wherein the additive includes at least one polyolefin wax synthesized using a metallocene catalyst, where the polyolefin wax has a dropping point of from 70 to 165°C, a melt viscosity at 140°C of from 10 to 10 000 mPa s, a density of from 0.85 to 0.98 g/cm<sup>3</sup> and a molecular weight distribution, expressed as  $M_w/M_n$ , of less than 5 and wherein the polyolefin wax is present in a blend with one or more auxiliaries and additives selected from the group consisting of
  - a) polyethylene glycol
  - b) PE waxes,
  - c) PTFE waxes,
  - d) PP waxes,
  - e) amide waxes,
  - f) FT paraffins,
  - g) montan waxes,
  - h) natural waxes,

- i) macrocrystalline and microcrystalline paraffins.
- j) polar polyolefin waxes.
- k) sorbitan esters
- l) polyamides.
- m) polyolefins.
- n) PTFE.
- o) wetting agents or
- p) silicates.

6. (New) The powdercoating material as claimed in claim 1, wherein the polyolefin wax: auxiliary and additive weight ratio is 1:50 to 50:1 expressed in % by weight.

7. (New) The process as claimed in claim 5, wherein the polyolefin wax: auxiliary and additive weight ratio is 1:50 to 50:1 expressed in % by weight.

8. (New) An article coated with the powdercoating material as claimed in claim 1.